

# St Philleigh Church News

## September 2019



**'He makes grass grow for the cattle, and plants for people to cultivate, bringing forth food from the earth.'** Psalm 104

**Harvest Festival – 29<sup>th</sup> September  
at 10.30am**

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# Harvest Festival History

Harvest is from the Anglo-Saxon word hærfest, "Autumn". It then came to refer to the season for reaping and gathering grain and other grown products. The modern British tradition of celebrating Harvest Festival in churches began in 1843, when the Reverend Robert Hawker invited parishioners to a special thanksgiving service at his church at Morwenstow in Cornwall.

Victorian hymns such as "We plough the fields and scatter", "Come ye thankful people, come" and "All things bright and beautiful" but also Dutch and German harvest hymns in translation helped popularise his idea of harvest festival and spread the annual custom of decorating churches with home-grown produce for the Harvest Festival service.

We continue this tradition of giving thanks for all the food produced on the land and found in the sea. Thanking God for His goodness and for all the farmers and fishermen who work so hard to provide the food we eat.

**Join us at 10.30 am on September 29th  
for our Harvest Celebration,**

**Auction and Bring and Share Lunch**

**We will auction the offerings with all proceeds going to RABI, Farm  
Africa and Truro Foodbank.**

**We will be decorating the church ready for our harvest  
service the week beginning 23rd September.**

**Sheila Hindmarsh is our contact for this on 01872 501135.**

## Philleigh Fayres 2019

Oodles of old-fashioned fun and frivolity was had by all at this year's events. Growing in popularity each year, everyone came together to enjoy the evenings and sample the delights on offer.

The Friends of the Church of St Philleigh are extremely grateful to all who helped in any way at the Fayres, and also to all those who came along to support them and have a good time. Without all of you the events would not have been the success that they were. All the money raised is for the maintenance and preservation of our beautiful parish church of St Philleigh.

# Fairtrade Stall



## Open every day in the church

There's always a good selection of household items on the table, for example: cereals, coffee, honey and kitchen paper. Now there are greeting cards for almost any occasion and only £1 each. From the beginning of September, we will have dried fruit on sale – ready for your Christmas cakes and puddings.

## Transition News Update:

The interview timetable is as follows:

- Friday 6th September – Advert live
- Monday November 18th- Shortlisting the applicants
- Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December – Interviews.

We would value your prayers that God's will be done in this appointment.



27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> September 2019.

Pray for our Nation and Community, 'Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us.'

**St Philleigh Church is open every day to everyone for prayer and reflection.**

# September at St Philleigh

Sept 1st	Morning Worship	10.30am
Sept 8th	Family Service	10.30am
Sept 15th	Family Communion (St Gerrans)	10.00am
	The Calling	6.00pm
Sept 22nd	Holy Communion (Said)	9.00am
	Family Service	10.30am
Sept 29th	United Benefice Harvest Festival	10.30am
	With Auction and Bring & Share Lunch	

*Our Family service in September will focus on the parable of  
'The sower and the seeds'*

## Prayer for September.

Lord, You call us to be loving, You challenge us to care  
and You enable us to share Your grace.

We commit ourselves to be open to You in all things.

By Your Holy Spirit, give us the power and the will  
to demonstrate the love of Christ in all we say and do and are.

In Christ's name.

Amen.

## **Regular Monthly Events for September**

Benefice Prayer at St Gerrans	Tues 3rd	2- 3 pm
Charity Lunch at St Gerrans (Coastwatch)	Thurs 19th	12 - 1.30 pm
Philleigh PCC Meeting	Mon 30th	7.00pm

**Refugee Collections will resume in October.**

